P26871.A08 Serial No.: 10/602,711

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of Docket No.: P26871

W. BLACKWELL, et al. Confirmation No.: 9978

Serial No.: 10/602,711 Group Art Unit: No. 3652

Filed: June 25, 2003 Examiner: G. W. Adams

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO EFFECTUATE AUTOMATED POSITIONING

AND LOADING OF VARIABLE SIZED CONTAINERS

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated June 2, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration the above-identified application as follows.

Applicants believe that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

A listing of the claims begin on page 2; and Remarks begin on page 9.